

THE COCKADE CITY.

THE TRIAL OF R. T. HARRIS
AGAIN POSTPONED.

Providence Not Yet Arrested—The New Catholic Church and the Dedication Preparations—Pronounced Safe—Personal Notes.

PITTSBURGH, Va., January 10.—(Special.)—In the Hustings Court to-day the case of R. T. Harris, charged with the murder of William F. Mallory, was by consent of counsel continued until the next term of the court, which commences on the 16th of this month. It is not probable, however, that the case will actually be called for trial before about the end of the month.

NOT YET ARRESTED.
Piet Crowder, Jr., the alleged attempted assassin of Robert Warden (colored), has not yet been arrested, though the police have made every effort to catch him. It is believed that he is in town, somewhere in concealment. In the mean while Warden's condition is improving, and it is believed that he may live to testify in court as to the midnight assault made upon him. The case is interesting, if for no other reason than for the fact that Warden was attacked and stabbed under the belief that he was another person, against whom the attack was directed, but this, of course, does not excuse the crime.

THE NEW CATHOLIC CHURCH.

The formal dedication of the new St. Joseph's Catholic church in this city, on Sunday, will be an event of great interest, and the ceremonies will be very impressive. The service will be conducted by Bishop Van de Vyver, of Winchester, assisted by several priests. Admission to the church on the occasion will be only by card, and consequently many hundreds of people of all denominations will be disappointed in getting into the church. It is a matter of great regret that Cardinal Gibbons, who had promised to be present, if possible, will not be able to attend. Bishop Keane, however, will be here, and will deliver the dedicatory sermon. The music on the occasion, both vocal and instrumental, will be of the highest order. Among those who are expected to attend are the Rev. Father Benjamin F. Kelley, Vice-Grand of the Church in Georgia; a Petersburg boy by birth, and education, and one of the most earnest and eloquent preachers in the country. A telegram from the Rev. A. M. Kelley, so well known all through this State.

DRUMMER ARRESTED.

A telegram was received here to-day from the Chief of Police in Richmond, announcing the arrest of D. Klein in that city on a charge of robbing the proprietor of the Shirley Hotel here. The charge against Mr. Klein, who is said to have represented himself as a drummer for a Richmond house, was that he had obtained a large sum of money from the proprietor of the Shirley Hotel here, and left without settling for the same. Officer Ragland went over to Richmond this evening to bring the prisoner back to Petersburg for hearing.

THE BUILDING SAFE.

As announced in this correspondence some days ago, complaint was made to the Mayor as to the unsafe condition of the Academy of Music, only place of public amusement. The Mayor very promptly directed the City Engineer to examine and report as to the condition of the Academy. It was also ordered that the building should be properly strengthened and repaired in all necessary respects. The Mayor's directions and orders have been respected, and to-day experts have declared the building perfectly safe for any strain that it may be subjected to. It is said that there was no defect about the walls, and the floor, which had fallen by reason of decayed supports, has been raised and placed in proper position.

PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

The annual sermon before the Young People's Baptist Union of the West-End church was delivered last night by the Rev. Mr. Wright, of Richmond. The discourse is spoken of in very high terms by all who heard it.

Dr. J. B. Starchan, an old and well-known physician of this city, is seriously ill at his residence on High street.

Efforts are being made by the resident alumni of the University of Virginia to raise a fund to help in the restoration of the burned buildings at this great State

institution, and it is probable that a handsome sum will be realized. The people living in the southern and most elevated section of the city are suffering considerably from the lack of water. It is said that the wells in that section are drying up rapidly. It is also said that the water in the city reservoirs is getting quite low, owing to the fact that the users of city water everywhere have kept their hydrants in full flow for some days past to prevent freezing. This fact is shown by the broad expanse of ice from the escaping water to be seen in the gutters of many of our streets.

A petition has been forwarded to Congressman Elliott for the establishment of a post-office at Swift Creek, in Chesterfield county. The starting of the cotton-mills at that point will attract a large number of residents, and a post-office there will be a matter of great convenience.

Mr. R. H. Meacham, a well-known young business man of this city, for some years an employee in the wholesale dry goods house of M. Cohen & Co., has gone to Baltimore to accept a position.

FATALLY BURNED.

Terrible Death of a Little Girl at Wyndall.

BRISTOL, TENN., January 10.—(Special.)—The 14-year-old daughter of Hon. J. Gilmer Breckinridge, was fatally burned at Wyndall, Va., yesterday, while sitting before the fire in a rocking-chair. Her body was completely enveloped in flames, and she died in a little while. The child's father is a brother-in-law of Hon. Alfred Preston, of Fincastle, Va., and a cousin of Colonel W. C. P. Breckinridge, of Kentucky.

ACCIDENTALLY SHOT HIMSELF.

Mr. Thomas M. Arnest, of Westmoreland County.

WARSAW, VA., January 10.—(Special.)—While Mr. Thomas M. Arnest, a prosperous farmer and prominent citizen of Westmoreland county, was returning from a wild-turkey-hunt yesterday, he attempted to gather some persimmons. His gun fell from his shoulder and was discharged, and the entire load took effect in his foot, which had to be amputated just above the ankle.

Murder in the Second Degree.

BEDFORD CITY, VA., January 10.—(Special.)—The trial of W. A. Martin, charged with the murder of J. E. Montgomery, was given to the jury, who, after an all-day deliberation, brought in a verdict of murder in the second degree, and fixed the punishment at ten years' confinement in the penitentiary.

Judge Peck's Successor.

The Executive Committee of the Democratic party of Elizabeth City county have endorsed Mr. Edgar E. Montague for election to the county judgeship of Elizabeth City and Warwick counties, made vacant by the death of Judge George M. Peck.

A Daring Robbery in the Daytime.

The residence of Mr. Clement Brooke, over his southwest corner of Second and Broad streets, was entered some time during yesterday by thieves, who stripped Mr. Brooke's room of all the wearing apparel to be found there. They got two suits of clothes, one of which was new. The thief or thieves took of desperate change, as the clerks were in the store at the time of the robbery, and might very easily have detected the culprits. Mr. Brooke has reported the case to the police.

Look Over the Plans.

The Building Committee of the Theological Seminary, met last night in the office of Mr. Charles H. Read, Jr., the architect who is preparing the plans for the structure, and spent some time in looking over the drawings. There were present of the committee, Rev. Dr. Kern, Rev. Mr. Turnbull, Mr. S. H. Hawes, and Mr. Watta, the latter of North Carolina. No action was taken, the meeting being merely for the purpose of examining the plans.

The Lunenburg Prisoners.

Captain George D. Wise, of counsel for the Lunenburg prisoners, has received a reply to his letter, written to Commissioner of the State Prison, and that gentleman advises him that as it is now too late for the prisoners to appear at Lunenburg court during the January term, their cases will have to go over indefinitely. They will probably be permitted to remain here.

Left Him a Check.

A well-known gentleman called at the residence of Rev. J. Calvin Stewart a few days ago and left him a check for \$100, saying he wished Dr. Stewart to use the money in such manner as he might think best for missionary work.

THE METCALF TRIAL.

THE THIRD DAY'S PROCEEDINGS
IN THE CASE.

Conflicting Testimony—A Conversation with the Prisoner—The Mother of the Accused Upon the Witness Stand—Her Testimony.

COVINGTON, VA., January 10.—(Special.)—Considerable progress was made to-day in the trial of the case of Metcalf, charged with arson, at Clifton Forge. Harris was recalled to the stand by the defense, and questioned regarding his statement at the preliminary hearing, in reference to seeing Metcalf enter the front door of the Moody & Carpenter building on the morning of November 2d. A stenographic report of that statement, which the attorney for the defense had before him, conflicted with Harris's testimony yesterday. Witness "stated that he was not correctly reported at the preliminary hearing, and adhered to his statement made yesterday, that he saw Metcalf enter the front door.

A CONVERSATION.
Sergeant Gleason, of the Clifton Forge police, testified to making the arrest of Metcalf, and related a conversation with the accused at the time of the arrest, in which Metcalf enquired if it was for the fire of the night before he was arrested, and when Metcalf answered in the affirmative, wished to know who had sworn out the warrant. Being told Harris had, Metcalf enquired: "Where the hell was he?" Witness stated that Metcalf asked if it was for the fire that he was arrested before he (Gleason) had said anything.

Policeman Corcoran was recalled, and told of the peculiar odor of burning "dope" which pervaded the room in which the fire was discovered. Here the Commonwealth rested.

FOR THE DEFENCE.

All witnesses, including the mother and son of the defendant, were excluded from the courtroom, and the defence opened by Metcalf, who was then called to the witness stand. He was a friend of Metcalf, an engineer on the Chesapeake and Ohio railroad, and had boarded with the Metcalf family the past four years. He called from his room on the morning of November 2d at 1:15, and repaired to the Metcalf home about 2 A. M., and while eating heard the alarm of fire. He went into the hall, and saw there the defendant's mother, who was then in the hall of the family to reach the fire. She told him the fire was in the middle room across the hall. Metcalf came out in his night clothes, with water in a ice-cream freezer. He examined the fire, and found it was in the middle room across the hall. Metcalf had experience in handling "dope" in his capacity as an engineer, and did not think it possible for Metcalf to have had about him the "dope" without some signs of grease being left.

THE MOTHER TESTIFIES.
Mrs. Metcalf, mother of the defendant, was next called, and her evidence contradicted in toto the testimony of Cochran and Davis, two of the strongest witnesses for the State.

She stated that her son entered the building by the rear way on the morning in question. She had retired, but was awake, and saw her son go through the hall into his room. He had retired when she heard the alarm of fire. Witness arose and went into the hall and discovered a small fire in the middle room. She started to call her son, but he had already met her son coming with water in an ice-cream freezer. Her son had extinguished the blaze when Cochran and Davis came up. She then contradicted the statement of these two witnesses, who testified that Cochran put out the fire before Mrs. Metcalf or her son arrived.

Several ministers and a number of other witnesses testified to the unquestioned reputation of Mrs. Metcalf for veracity, after which court adjourned until to-morrow.

MR. SAKS'S BIG PURCHASE.

He Buys the Building His Firm Occupies Here for \$75,000 Cash.

Mr. A. Saks, of the clothing firm which bears his name, was in the city yesterday, and purchased the magnificent three-story building occupied by Saks & Co. at the corner of Eleventh and Main streets, the consideration being \$75,000 cash. This is one of the handsomest and best equipped stores in the South. Mr. Saks bought the building from the Board of Directors of the Planters' National Bank, to which the property had been conveyed by Mr. James B. Pace, Saks & Co. leased the house in April, 1895, for a period of seven years at the annual rental of \$6,000, and upon the expiration of that term, Mr. Pace expended \$15,000 in improvements upon the store, and upon this Saks & Co. paid an additional rental of 10 per cent., or \$1,500 per year.

Messrs. Saks & Co. will occupy the house permanently, and will shortly conduct an extensive business there. Prior to the time when the clothing firm moved into this building it was occupied by Messrs. Levy & Davis.

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the present hall at 7:30 o'clock, and under Comrade Joseph V. Bligod, marshal, will proceed to the new hall at 8 o'clock.

The invited guests will assemble at the new hall at 8 o'clock, sharp.

Comrades Alexander W. Archer, William P. Smith, and Thomas A. Brander, will proceed to act as a Reception Committee and will be at the new hall to receive our guests.

All military officers—including the Governor's staff—are requested to appear in uniform. J. S. VAN HORN, Chairman.

HIS CONDITION HOPEFUL.

Mr. Sheld's Physicians Have Not Yet Probed for the Ball.

The condition of Mr. Alfred P. Sheld, who shot himself in the City Hall building on Thursday, was all that could be hoped for last night. He was resting quietly, and was perfectly rational. His physicians had not removed the ball from his head, nor had they probed for it, as it was not deemed advisable to do so yet awhile.

While Mr. Sheld is seriously injured, his wound is not regarded to be necessarily fatal. Mrs. Sheld has been the only visitor allowed to enter the chamber of her husband, who, as stated yesterday, was removed to the Retreat for the Sick a few hours after the shooting. Many other persons have called, but, owing to Mr. Sheld's condition, they were necessarily refused admission.

This case is one of the saddest that has occurred in Richmond in many years. Mr. Sheld had been despondent and depressed for several months because he was out of employment, and a little temporary work at the office of the Clerk of the Supreme Court of Appeals. Not more than ten minutes before he attempted to take his life, Mr. Sheld, who was on duty, entered a hardware store on Broad street, and procured a cent's worth of No. 28 cartridges. He had no small change, and tendered the merchant a \$5 bill. The latter could not make him the change, and told Mr. Sheld to pay him for the cartridges some other time.

It has been ascertained that only one of the balls took effect, and that one penetrated the roof of the head, taking a course so there are now thought to be very good chances for the recovery of the young man. The other shot went into some woodwork in the room in which the tragedy occurred. The friends of Mr. Sheld deeply deplore the shooting, and are very hopeful that he will recover.

At 3 o'clock this morning Mr. Sheld was resting comfortably, and his condition was very encouraging.

MONUMENT TO MAJOR POE.

The Police Force to Erect a Shaft Over His Grave.

A shaft of blue Virginia granite, fifteen feet in height, will mark the grave of Major John Poe, Jr., in Hollywood Cemetery.

This will be a tribute of affection and tender memory from the Richmond police force to the man who, for more than a quarter of a century, wisely directed this important department of the city government.

The police recently decided to erect the monument, and the Committee on Design yesterday adopted that offered by Mr. E. A. Hagemeyer. It is expected that the shaft will be in place about the middle of the month.

The committee in charge of the matter consists of Chief Howard, Captains Angle, Hulce, and Thomas, and Privates Gorman, Marion, Mattern, Vest, Curie, and Parkinson.

Dove Lodge Last Night.

A stated communication of Dove Lodge, No. 3, A. F. and A. M., was held at the residence of Mr. J. B. Starchan, a most eloquent and impressive address was delivered before the body by Rev. Jabez Hall, pastor of the Church-Street Presbyterian church, who took as his subject the significance of King Solomon's Temple. A splendid supper followed the meeting.

Captain Stratton Sinking.

Captain Thomas E. Stratton was thought to be sinking last night. It was feared he would not live till morning.

Personals and Briefs.

Mr. George W. Hill left yesterday for Hot Springs, Ark., to remain the balance of the winter.

Rev. T. H. Rice, of Alexandria, will deliver at the Church of the Covenant to-morrow night.

The usual services will be held at St. James Episcopal church to-morrow, the services being in the lecture hall. The "Boy Jesus" will be the subject of Rev. Edwin L. Peil's lecture at the Young Men's Christian Association this afternoon at 5 o'clock.

Mr. Tom Furley, a convert of Baker Street Mission, will deliver a lecture on "The Gospel of the Kingdom" at the Union Gospel Mission, corner Eighth and Main streets, to-morrow evening at 8 o'clock.

There was a light docket in the Police Court yesterday. Harry Main, one of the boat-house gang, was sent to the reformatory to join his companion, John Powell. Landrum was sent to jail for three months.

The Board of Visitors of R. E. Lee Camp Soldiers' Home on Friday night, elected Mr. John S. Powell next week to the State Bank, to fill the position of treasurer of the home, in the place of J. B. Pace, resigned.

Mr. E. K. Justis and family left the city Friday evening for Norfolk, where they will reside in future. Mr. Justis is a well-known young Chicago player, has signed with Von der Ahe's St. Louis swappers. He was tried a couple of times by Anson, and a little while by Washington also. He seems to be a better player than his charging would indicate.

Miss Laile Langhorne D. Barham will be the guest of Miss Ethel Slater and of Mr. and Mrs. John Powell next week. Miss Barham was a pupil of Mr. Powell's last session, and made many friends in the city, who will welcome her return. She is a niece of the lamented Dr. J. P. Gannon.

Mr. George Booker, postmaster at Fort Monroe, and proprietor of the Sherwood at Old Point, is at the Clifton Forge, Richmond for the purpose of saving a good word for Major Baker P. Lee, who is a candidate for the judgeship of the County courts of Elizabeth City and Warwick.

Richmonders in New York.

NEW YORK, January 10.—Hospitality E. Pennington, Murray Hill, W. Ellison, Broadway Central; L. E. Williams, St. Denis.

A Fishing Story.

Jones kept a toy-shop, and, amongst other things, sold fishing-rods. For the purpose of advertising them, he had a large number of rods with artificial lures at the end of it. Late one night, when most people were in bed, a man, who was the worse for drink, saw the fish. He looked at it, and then cautiously went up to the door and knocked. The proprietor did not hear the knock, and the man had knocked a little louder. He responded at the window above, "Who's there?" asked Jones, "Don't make noise," said the man, "but come down and see what you can do." Jones, thinking something was wrong, dressed himself and came down. "What's the matter?" he asked. "S-h-h," said the liquor man; "pull in your fish quick, old fellow, you've got a fish."

After That Peace Reigned.

In a well known bank in Edinburgh the clerks are presided over by a rather nervous manager, whose violent fits of temper very often dominate his reason, much to the amusement of his timid quill-driven staff. For instance, the other day he was writing into one of them about his

bad work. He stormed at the poor fellow, ruffled his work, and became flustered with passion. "Look here, Jones," he thundered. "This won't do! These figures are a perfect disgrace to a clerk! I could get an office-boy to make better figures than those, and I tell you I won't have it! Now look at that five. It just looks like a three. What do you mean, sir, by making such beastly figures? Explain!"

"—If I beg pardon, sir," suggested the trembling clerk, his face white as a sheet, "but—er—well, you see, sir, it is a five." "A three?" roared the manager; "why you don't know how to write a five! And then the subject dropped for an indefinite period."

Telegraphic Briefs.

Atlanta, Ga.—Mrs. J. C. Pitts shot herself fatally at Williamson, Ga. She was unbalanced on religion.

Atlanta, Ga.—The celebrated stallion Pilot Medium, for whom his owner, Walter Clark, had refused \$9,000, died.

New York.—The Anglo-American Telegraph Company is advised that there is no longer any delay on messages between Europe and South Africa.

Columbus, O.—A. D. Ady, a large dealer in real estate and bonds, made an assignment to Ben Monner. Assets stated at about \$50,000; liabilities about \$125,000.

Jackson, Miss.—In the Democratic caucus, and on the eighth ballot, Mrs. Bell, a widow, who has been employed in the post-office, was chosen for State Librarian.

Pooris, Ill.—Singer & Wheeler, wholesale druggists, for whom an application for a receiver was recently made and denied, made an assignment. Liabilities, \$100,000; assets, \$27,000.

London.—The Globe denies the truth of the statement made by the Pall Mall Gazette that a second special squadron of British warships, consisting of fast cruisers, is being formed.

Perry, Fla.—Kiser Richardson, a prominent farmer, was shot dead while superintending negroes who were splitting rails. The assassin was concealed in the edge of a nearby swamp, and escaped.

Jackson, Miss.—At the Democratic caucus for Librarian, Mr. Noel of Holmes county, offered a resolution to the effect that the first ballot for United States Senator should be taken next Monday night, which was adopted unanimously.

Buffalo, N. Y.—At Ransomville, Robert Clapsaddle, an aged farmer, was brutally murdered by his prodigal son-in-law, George H. Smith, after a long hours later a posse meted out swift justice to the assassin, ridding his body with a score of bullets.

Columbus, O.—John Ramo, ex-Auditor of Delaware, was robbed, and while unconscious was taken to the State Prison at Marietta, O. A train coming on soon afterwards cut off an arm and a leg. After the train had passed he was found on the track lying in a pool of blood.

Washington.—The Minneapolis has arrived at Smyrna; the Indiana at New York, and the Chicago at New York. The Amphitrite will relieve the Cincinnati at Key West from the duty of watching Cuba, and the Cincinnati will proceed to Norfolk.

Chattanooga, Tenn.—Two white boys—James Kelly and Will Roach—were arrested near Ringgold, Ga., for attempting to wreck the Washington vestibuled train on the Southern railway last December 30. They were unable to give bond and were sent to jail.

Jackson, Miss.—There is a different aspect to the cotton market, and Colonel W. G. Yerger, of Washington county, having arrived and announced his candidacy for Governor, the cotton market is strong, especially in the river counties, and in influential family connections, and it is thought, will maintain a strong rally.

Philadelphia, Pa.—As an outcome of the recent transactions between J. Rush Ritter, the real-estate officer of the embarrassed Solicitors' Loan and Trust Company, and the Trustees of the National Bank, negotiations were entered into whereby the controlling interest in the bank passed into the hands of a syndicate of local capitalists.

Paris.—The Gaulois publishes a report of an interview with General Guzman Blanco, formerly President of the Republic of Venezuela, in which he says: "I have absolutely retired from politics. The allegation that I am concerned in the insurrection in Venezuela is a base calumny circulated by persons who are my enemies. Moreover, in the struggle to maintain the integrity of the rights, all parties in Venezuela are merged into one national party, which rightly supports President Cresp."

Bahama Reports are in circulation here to the effect that prior to the pursuit of his command by the Spanish column General Francisco Antonio Maceo, the rebel leader, accompanied by an escort, approached an expert guide in the province of Pinar del Rio, and asked to be conducted to the headquarters of Maximino Gomez, obviously having lost track of the latter's whereabouts. When the party with the guide was going on Maceo was surprised by the firing of General Prats' guns, and the rebels were captured by the advancing Spaniards. As it was he was cut off from his own troops, and forced to abandon his own troops.

St. Louis.—A special from Springfield, Mo., says: "The Farmers' Bank at Verona was entered by several unknown men, but so far as can be learned they got no money. At 1 o'clock A. M., as Night-watchman Control went on duty, he was confronted by a man with a drawn revolver, who commanded him to throw up his hands. He was bound, and the head and arms of the man were bound and foot, and the robbers proceeded with their work. The heavy doors leading to the vault were blown open, and badly damaged. The safe was also blown open, falling face downwards. It is feared the robbers will be captured before they succeeded in turning it over."

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DEATHS.

BRUCE.—Died, in Waynesboro, Augusta county, Va., Friday morning, January 10, 1896. Mrs. SARAH A. BRUCE, in the 83th year of her age, widow of George A. Bruce.

Staunton papers please copy.

EACHO.—Died, at his residence on Orleans street, Fulton, Friday morning, January 10th, at 12:57, of pneumonia, WILLIAM MILES EACHO.

I'm going home, I'm going home, I'm going home, to die no more; I'm going home, to die no more; I'm going home, to die no more.

Funeral will take place SUNDAY EVENING, January 12th, at 3 o'clock, from the Denny-Street Methodist church. Florence (S. C.) papers please copy.

FRAYSER.—Died, Friday morning, January 10, 1896. FANNIE PRAYSER (colored), aged 55 years.

Funeral will take place SUNDAY at 11 o'clock from Leigh-Street Methodist church.

O'SULLIVAN.—Died, at the residence of her parents, No. 26 North West street, CHILDESS O'SULLIVAN, daughter of D. and Celeste O'Sullivan; aged 10 months.

Funeral from the residence, SUNDAY AFTERNOON at 3 o'clock.

RAMOS.—Died, at the age of 88 years, JOSEPH V. RAMOS, January 10, 1896. Funeral service at 3 o'clock SUNDAY, from the First Baptist church.

STERLING.—Died, Friday, January 10th, at 4:25 P. M., at the residence of her brother, J. H. Goldin, Mrs. EMMA JAMES STERLING, daughter of the late James A. and F. C. Goldin.

The funeral service will take place from the First Baptist church THIS (Saturday) AFTERNOON, at 3:30 o'clock.

NOW 99 YEARS OLD.

Mrs. Grinnell Credits Her Vigorous Old Age to Paine's Celery Compound.



It is an uncommon thing to learn of persons reaching the age of Mrs. Emyle Hyde Grinnell, and years of good health such as hers come only to those who make use of the very best means of keeping well.

No one will wonder that the bright-eyed old lady, whose mind to-day is as alert and clear as ever, should be anxious for others to try Paine's celery compound.